



# Year 3 Curriculum Newsletter.

## Spring term 2018.



We hope you enjoyed your winter break. Below is a selection of the areas that your child will be studying over the next term.

### **English**

In English, year 3 will be concentrating on diaries, play scripts and explanations. Children will look at the features of each genre. These genres will culminate in the children producing an independent piece of writing.

### **Science**

Science will see the children investigating our 'Amazing Bodies' and the 'Power of Forces'. Children will be given the opportunity to study these two topics and their impact on the individual and the world around them.

### **Geography**

The children will be learning about countries and cities of Europe. Within this topic the children will be using maps, globes and atlases to identify and locate countries and cities, then describe the similarities and differences between European regions.

### **PSHCE**

Pupils do PSHCE through daily reflection & PSHCE days which are held half termly. The topic is 'The Influence of Human Development on the Environment' & 'Medicines & Symptoms'.

In Year 3 we expect children to:

- Read every day for 10 minutes at least and ensure an adult signs their reading record regularly
- Complete their homework on time
- Practise their handwriting, spellings and times table every week
- Take responsibility for their learning
- Take care of all equipment sent home including reading books
- Follow school rules at all and follow the core ARA values- **Respect, Honesty and Kindness.**

### **Maths**

Maths this term will see the children learning about Place value, multiplication and division, measure time, mental calculations, lengths and number fractions with a focus on 8x tables. They will learn the skills to answer questions and apply this independently to their own work.

### **History**

In history, year 3 will be learning about the Celts. This will see the children developing their skills in using historical sources to gather and question information. They will investigate the origins of the Celts, their customs, their daily lives and their legacy. Each week the children will write independently.

### **Computing**

In this term we will be introducing and focussing on programming and data handling. We will expose children to the skills necessary to produce their own animation and games. Children will link these skills with other curriculum areas.

### **RE**

In RE we will be investigating Sikhism and Initiation practices. We will look at the origin, history, belief systems, and practices and customs of Sikhism which will help promote children's learning and understanding of the world. They examine the initiation rituals for different religions. There will be a writing grammar focus included in each RE lesson.

### **REMINDER**

**Times tables and spellings** will be sent home on Tuesdays and must be returned on or before the following Monday. Encourage your children to use the 'read, say, write, check' method when supporting your child to learn their spellings. Full **PE kit** should be brought into school on a Monday and left in all week. Children should take it home on Friday to be washed. Please come and speak to any member of the Year 3 team if you have any questions.